

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** the purchasing and materials management professions play a significant role in the efficiency and effectiveness of both government and business; and

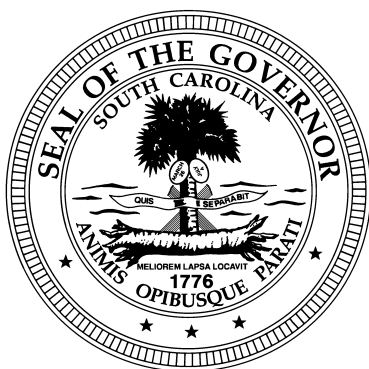
**WHEREAS,** purchasing and materials management professionals, through their combined purchasing power, spend billions of dollars every year and so have a significant influence upon economic conditions throughout the world; and

**WHEREAS,** the South Carolina Association of Governmental Purchasing Officials, a chapter of the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing, and other professional purchasing associations engage in special efforts, during the month of March, to inform the public about the importance of the role played by the purchasing profession in business, industry, and government.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim March 2004 as

### PURCHASING MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the many contributions made by purchasing and materials management professionals to the responsible administration and monitoring of goods and services.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Sanford", is written over a horizontal line.

**MARK SANFORD**  
**GOVERNOR**  
**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**